



**National School Lunch Program  
Alaska Income Eligibility Guidelines  
Free & Reduced Price Meals**

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An income scale is used to determine eligibility for free and reduced price meals.

**Do Not Send Out with Parent Letter.**

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July 1, 2013- June 30, 2014**

Reduced Price Meals – 185% of Federal Poverty Guidelines						Free Meals – 130 % of Federal Poverty Guidelines				
Household Size	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly	Annual	Monthly	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	26,548	2,213	1,107	1,022	511	18,655	1,555	778	718	359
2	35,853	2,988	1,494	1,379	690	25,194	2,100	1,050	969	485
3	45,159	3,764	1,882	1,737	869	31,733	2,645	1,323	1,221	611
4	54,464	4,539	2,270	2,095	1,048	38,272	3,190	1,595	1,472	736
5	63,770	5,315	2,658	2,453	1,227	44,811	3,735	1,868	1,724	862
6	73,075	6,090	3,045	2,811	1,406	51,350	4,280	2,140	1,975	988
7	82,381	6,866	3,433	3,169	1,585	57,889	4,825	2,413	2,227	1,114
8	91,686	7,641	3,821	3,527	1,764	64,428	5,369	2,685	2,478	1,239
For each additional family member add:										
	9,306	776	388	358	179	6,539	545	273	252	126

**Definitions**

**Family:** A household or family is defined as a group of related or unrelated individuals who are living as one economic unit.

**Income:** Income is the money received by any member of the household before such deductions as taxes and Social Security. It includes the following: salary or wages; earnings from self-employment, Social Security, pensions, retirement and disability payments; and other cash income received or withdrawn from any source which would be available for payment of a child's meal. Food Stamp benefits are not included.

Current income is determined by the income received by all members of the household during the month prior to application. But if this income was much higher or lower than usual, the expected income for this year (12 months starting from the month prior to application) should be used. For example, self-employed people such as fishermen and farmers should use yearly income.

**Acronyms for Public Assistance:**

TANF = Temporary Assistance to Needy Families

FDPRI = Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations

SNAP = Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, *formerly the Food Stamp Program*

SSI = Social Security Income